My truth and honour firmely.

Alb. A Herald ho. *Baſt.* A Herald ho, a Herald.

Alb. Truſt to thy ſingle vertue, for thy ſouldiers
All leuied in my name haue in my name tooke their (diſcharge.

Reg. This ſicknes growes vpon me.

Alb. She is not well, conuey her to my tent,
Come hether Herald, let the trumpet ſound,
And read out this. *Cap.* Sound trumpet?

Her. If any man of qualitie or degree, in the hoaſt of the army, will maintaine vpon *Edmund* ſuppoſed Earle of *Gloſter*, that he's a manifold traitour, let him appeare at the third ſound of the trumpet, he is bold in his defence.

Baſt. Sound. Againe.

Enter Edgar at the third ſound, a trumpet before him.

Alb. Aske him his purpoſes why he appeares
Vpon this call oth' trumpet.

Her. What are you? your name and qualitie?
And why you anſwere this preſent ſummons?

Edg. O know my name is loſt by treaſons tooth
Bare-gnawne and canker-bitte; yet am I mou't
Where is the aduerſarie I come to cope with all?

Alb. Which is that aduerſarie? (*Gloſter?*

Edg. What's he that ſpeakes for *Edmund* Earle of

Baſt. Him ſelfe, what ſaieſt thou to him?

Edg. Draw thy ſword,
That if my ſpeech offend a noble hart thy arme
May do thee Iuſtice; here is mine:
Behold it is the priuiledge of my tongue,
My oath, and my profeſſion. I proteſt
Maugure thy ſtrength, youth, place, and eminence,
Deſpight thy victor-ſword, and fire-new-fortun'd,
Thy valor, and thy heart thou art a traytor;
Falſe to thy Gods, thy brother, and thy Father,
Conſpicuate (valor) againſt this high illuſtrious prince,
And from the extreameſt vpward of thy head,
To the deſcent, and duſt beneath thy feet,
A moſt toad-ſpotted traytor ſay thou no
This ſword, this arme, and my beſt ſpirits,

A(re) bent to proue vpon thy heart
Baſt. In wiſdome I ſhould aſk
But ſince thy outſide lookes ſo fa
And that thy being ſome ſay of b(reath)
By (my) right of knighthood I diſdai
Heere do I toſſe thoſe treaſons to
With the hel-Hatedly, oreturnd t
Which for they yet glance by an
This ſword of mine ſhall giue the
Where they ſhall reſt for euer; tru
Alb. Saue him, ſaue him,
Gon. This is meere practiſe *G*
Thou art not bound to anſwere an
Thou art not vanquiſht, but cou
Alb. Stop your mouth dame,
it: thou worſe then any thing rea
tearing Lady, I perceiue you know
Gon. Say if I do, the lawes are m
Alb. Moſt monſtrous know'ſt t
Gon. Aske me not what I know
Alb. Go after her, ſhee's deſpe
Baſt. What you haue chargd me
And more, much more; the time w
Tis paſt, and ſo am I. but what art
That haſt this fortune on me? if t
I do forgiue thee.
Edg. Let's exchange charity;
I am no leſſe in bloud then thou a
If more, the more thou haſt wron
My name is *Edgar*, and thy father
The Gods are iuſt, and of our plea
Make inſtruments to ſcourge vs: th
Place where thee he gotte, coſt hi
Baſt. Thou haſt ſpoken truth
full circled: I am heere.
Alb. Me thought thy very ga
A royall nobleneſſe; I muſt embra
Let ſorow ſplit my heart if I did e

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